

“WHAT ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN UP TO THE MOMENT?”

POTUS

- Directed relevant agencies – including DoD, State, and USAID – to make Haiti their highest priority
- Named the administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development, Dr. Rajiv Shah, to be the government's unified disaster coordinator and told Dr. Shah that he expects the highest level of coordination among federal agencies;
- Spoke with Secretary of State Clinton and U.S. Ambassador to Haiti Kenneth Merten to ensure they have the necessary resources and authorities
- Worked to forge a coordinated international effort, speaking with foreign leaders President Calderon of Mexico, Prime Minister Harper of Canada, President Lula of Brazil, President Bachelet of Chile and U.N. Secretary General Ban; and
- Continued to closely monitor the situation through regular updates and briefings from his National Security Staff and the 24-hour DHS National Operations Center (NOC).
- Met with his National Security and Inter-Agency team for over an hour in the White House Situation Room at 715, where he received a briefing on resources flowing into Haiti, and pressed his team to move as quickly as possible.

USAID

- USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (USAID/DART) arrived in Port-au-Prince.
- The 72-member Fairfax, VA, Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) team arrived in Port-au-Prince and has secured transport and is in the process of establishing a base of operations at the U.S. Embassy in Port-au-Prince. The USAR team is also establishing a reception center for incoming USAR teams at the airport and is coordinating with a USAR team from Iceland on the ground. To date, the USAR team has worked to survey and identify priority needs.

Department of Defense

- Morning of 1/13 (dawn), USCG helicopter evacuated to Guantanamo Naval Hospital four critically injured U.S. Embassy staff for medical treatment.
- U.S. Navy P-3 Orion conducted an aerial reconnaissance of the area affected by the earthquake.
- Two USAF C-130s flew from Florida to Haiti with a team of 30 military personnel to conduct an initial assessment and provide additional support (including air traffic control, engineers, operational planners, command and control and communication specialists).
 - One of the C-130s transported a canine search and rescue team from Miami-Dade County.

Coast Guard

- Morning of 1/13, the Coast Guard cutter Forward arrived off Port Au Prince, the first U.S. asset on the scene.
 - The cutter is equipped with a helicopter flight deck, satellite communications equipment, and military aircraft coordination capabilities.
 - The cutter provided air traffic control support for multiple Coast Guard and other military flights to/from Port-au-Prince and conducted an overflight with a Coast Guard MH-65 helicopter.
 - Crew met with members of the Haitian Coast Guard to evaluate their needs and plans and conducted a preliminary assessment of the harbor.

- Afternoon of 1/13, the Coast Guard cutter Mohawk arrived (also has a flight deck and is communication coordination capable).
- Two Coast Guard C-130 airplanes are flying the coast of Western Haiti doing damage assessments and searching for people in need of assistance.
- A Coast Guard MH-60 helicopter conducted evacuations of injured U.S. citizens, moving 9 people out of country.
- Two Coast Guard C-130 airplanes removed roughly 140 U.S. personnel from Haiti to the Dominican Republic at the direction of the U.S. Embassy in Haiti.

FEMA

- FEMA's International Affairs Division is coordinating and supporting USAID/OFDA.
- FEMA has activated the National Response Coordination Center at Level II with limited staff and Emergency Support Functions (ESF).
- On 1/13, the Fairfax County, Virginia, Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Task Force 1 arrived, activated by USAID.

Customs and Border Protection (CPB)

- Providing P-3 aircraft to provide air traffic control in support of Homeland Security Task Force Southeast.

ICE

- All removals to Haiti have been halted for the time being in response to the devastation caused by yesterday's earthquake. ICE continues to closely monitor the situation.

TSA

- TSA has 180 officers on 12-hour standby and 180 officers on 24-hour standby to provide screening of flights from Haiti. Relief mission flights are currently arriving in the United States.

State Department

- 1/12: U.S. Ambassador Merten spoke with President Preval twice..
- Approved ordered departure for approximately 80 Embassy spouses, children and non-emergency personnel.
- The U.S. Embassy has exhausted medical supplies assisting injured Americans and Haitians who came to the Embassy for treatment.
- The U.S. Embassy in Port-au-Prince has activated the Warden system to reach out to our U.S. citizen community of approx 45,000.
- We are working to confirm reports of injured U.S. citizens and unconfirmed U.S. citizen fatalities, and provide assistance where possible. U.S. Embassy Haiti has been in contact with the families.
- Dozens of U.S. citizens have made their way to the Embassy and are being provided assistance. Six private U.S. Citizens have been medically evacuated.
- The U.S. Embassy has dispatched a team to the Port-au-Prince airport to assist American citizens who wish to depart. We are working to determine the best way of assisting in those departures. Citizens are encouraged to stay put until receipt of further instructions.
- The Embassy is working to identify U.S. citizens in Haiti who need urgent assistance and to identify sources of emergency help. **U.S. citizens IN Haiti** have been urged to contact the Embassy via email at ACSPaP@state.gov to request assistance. U.S. citizens in Haiti have been

asked to call the Embassy's Consular Task Force at 509-2229-8942, 509-2229-8089, 509-2229-8322, or 509-2229-8672.

- The Department of State is receiving a high volume of calls concerning the welfare of American citizens in Haiti. To better handle these requests, the Department has established an e-mail address for people who are trying to contact their American Citizen friends and relatives in Haiti. It is: Haiti-Earthquake@State.Gov
- State Department worked with The mGive Foundation, Mobile Accord, CTIA (CTIA-The Wireless Association) and The American Red Cross to set up the keyword "Haiti", and the short code number "90999" to turn on mobile giving and help channel \$10 donations directly to the Red Cross with 100% pass through. 100% of contributions are being passed through to aid relief efforts in Haiti. As of this evening, this effort has raised over \$1.3 million.
- Secretary Clinton recently completed calls with Papua New Guinea PM Somare, Australian FM Smith, and New Zealand FM McCully informing them that she had to return to Washington.
- Embassy has fielded 850 calls from people identifying themselves as American Citizens in Haiti.
- The Consular Affairs task force has fielded thousands of calls from concerned citizens here in the United States.

U.S. Mission to the UN (USUN)

- 1/12-13: Ambassador Rice spoke with UN Secretary General Ban Ki Moon soon after the earthquake and then again twice Wednesday to offer U.S. assistance and coordinate with the UN.
- USUN is maintaining continuous contact with UN leadership and crisis management team on situation on the ground and UN needs for U.S. assistance.
- USUN ambassadors have been informing UN membership (through Security Council, General Assembly, Troop/Police Contributor meetings) of actions USG is taking to assist Haiti and the UN.
- USUN is facilitating movement of UN's Acting Special Representative of MINUSTAH and team (and potentially others in days ahead) to Haiti to augment UN capacity on the ground.

"WHAT IS IN THE PIPELINE & WHAT IS THE TIMELINE FOR FURTHER ACTIONS IN THE NEXT 24-48 HOURS?"

USAID

- For 1/14: Remaining USAID/DART team members are currently en-route to Port-au-Prince and are expected to arrive in country at 0045 hours local time on January 14. On January 14, the USAID/DART plans to conduct preliminary assessments to survey damage, determine needs, and identify appropriate assistance. An additional 72-member USAR team from Los Angeles County is expected to arrive in Haiti at 0600 hours local time, and two search and rescue teams from Miami are expected to arrive in the morning of January 14.

Defense

- 1/13 p.m.: a USAF C-17 is departing March Air Reserve Base, CA, transporting the Los Angeles urban search and rescue team to Haiti, scheduled to arrive Thursday morning (1/14).
- USS Vinson (CVN 70) is off the coast of Florida, will embark additional helicopters and is scheduled to arrive off the coast of Haiti on Friday morning (1/15).
- A company from the 82nd Airborne Division based at Ft. Bragg, NC will be airlifted into Haiti.
- USS Higgins (DDG 76) based out of Naval Station San Diego will arrive on station off the coast of Haiti on Thursday.

- A three-ship Amphibious Ready Group (ARG), with the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit embarked, is scheduled to get underway on Friday and arrive off the coast of Haiti on Tuesday. The ARG ships are USS Bataan (LHD 5), USS Fort McHenry (LSD 43), and USS Carter Hall (LSD 50).
- USS Normandy (CG 60) and USS Underwood (FFG 36) are prepared to deploy.
- Additional companies from the 82nd Airborne will fly to Haiti [when??].

Coast Guard

- The Coast Guard cutters Valiant and Tahoma have been deployed to the area: Valiant will arrive on Thursday (1/14); Tahoma is standing by and unloading relief supplied at Guantanamo Bay.
 - Both are flight deck and communications coordination capable.
- Two Coast Guard helicopters are also forward deployed in the area to provide rescue or other assistance.
 - Flights will be coordinated with State Department and others as necessary and additional aircraft/helicopters are being readied for deployment.
 - One of these helicopters will airlift injured U.S. Citizens to Guantanamo Bay, which will be used as staging area due to proximity to Haiti. The Tahoma is loaded with water and medical supplies.
- The Coast Guard is working with Southcom to transport two Urban Search and Rescue Teams to Haiti via a Coast Guard C-130.
- Two Coast Guard C-130 airplanes will remain available for additional evacuations of U.S. personnel or as directed by the U.S. Embassy.
- A Coast Guard C-144 will be available for airborne surveillance and imagery of the port.
- Two Coast Guard MH-60s remain available for evacuations and other support.
- The Coast Guard cutter Oak, a buoy tender with crane is en route to assist.
- Continued flow of resources to South Florida for deployment as required.

DHS

- DHS Office of Operations will send planners to Miami to augment Homeland Security Task Force-South East. (Planners to ensure that all interagency resources are brought to the table to develop the unified action plan. DHS ops center at HQ has a full complement of planners detailed from across the interagency, and we'll be sending folks to participate in response planning. Homeland Security Task Force-Southeast is the group of agencies in the region that activates to work together on incident response.)

FEMA

- Six additional Urban Search and Rescue teams are on standby.
- FEMA plans to support evacuation of U.S. citizens from Haiti.
- FEMA has activated a Mobile Emergency Response System (MERS) in support of recovery efforts.
- FEMA stands ready to provide resources and assistance, should they be requested by OFDA for the Haiti response.

CBP

- CBP is working with ICE on joint deployment of personnel to process U.S. citizens into the United States or parole non-U.S. citizens.

ICE

- ICE will forward deploy personnel to receive evacuees.